

said two judges shall have the same powers in all matters coming before the court; and in case two sessions of the court are held at the same time, the judgments, orders, verdicts, and all proceedings of a session of the court, held by either of the judges, shall be as effective as if one session only were being held at a time."

Powers, etc.

Approved, February 12, 1925.

CHAP. 221.—An Act To relinquish to the city of Battle Creek, Michigan, all right, title, and interest of the United States in two unsurveyed islands in the Kalamazoo River.

February 12, 1925.
[H. R. 7144.]
[Public, No. 409.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That upon the payment of \$1.25 per acre whatever right, title, or interest the United States may have in or to the two unsurveyed islands shown upon the official plat of the survey of township 2 south, range 8 west, Michigan, approved July 14, 1826, as being in the Kalamazoo River in section 2 of said township, shall be relinquished unto the city of Battle Creek, in the said State of Michigan, for public purposes, and the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized and directed by appropriate conveyance to carry out the purposes of this Act: *Provided*, however, in case said islands are not used or held by said city for public purposes, title to the same shall revert to the United States upon a finding and declaration by the Secretary of the Interior, that they are not used or held.

Battle Creek, Mich.
May acquire two islands in Kalamazoo River for public purposes.

Proviso.
Reversion for non-user.

Approved, February 12, 1925.

CHAP. 222.—An Act To revive and reenact the Act entitled "An Act granting the consent of Congress to the county of Allegheny, Pennsylvania, to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the Monongahela River, at or near the borough of Wilson, in the county of Allegheny, in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania," approved February 27, 1919.

February 12, 1925.
[H. R. 10413.]
[Public, No. 410.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act approved February 27, 1919, authorizing the county of Allegheny, in the State of Pennsylvania, to construct a bridge across the Monongahela River, at or near the borough of Wilson, in the county of Allegheny, in the State of Pennsylvania, be, and the same is hereby, revived and reenacted: *Provided*, That this Act shall be null and void unless the actual construction of the bridge hereby authorized be commenced within one year and completed within three years from the date of approval hereof.

Monongahela River.
Time extended for bridging, by Allegheny County at Wilson, Pa.
Vol. 41, p. 1078.

Proviso.
Time of construction.

Approved, February 12, 1925.

CHAP. 223.—An Act Granting the consent of Congress to the State of Alabama to construct a bridge across the Coosa River at Gadsden, Etowah County, Alabama.

February 12, 1925.
[H. R. 10687.]
[Public No. 411.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to the State of Alabama to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Coosa River at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, at or near Gadsden, in the county of Etowah, in the State of Alabama, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906.

Coosa River.
Alabama may bridge, Gadsden.

Construction.
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Amendment.

SEC. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.
Approved, February 12, 1925.

February 12, 1925.
[H. R. 11635.]
[Public, No. 412.]

CHAP. 224.—An Act Granting the consent of Congress to the county of Allegheny and the county of Westmoreland, two of the counties of the State of Pennsylvania, jointly to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the Allegheny River, at a point approximately nineteen and one-tenth miles above the mouth of the river, in the counties of Allegheny and Westmoreland, in the State of Pennsylvania.

Allegheny River.
Allegheny and Westmoreland Counties, Pa., may bridge.

Location.

Construction.
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Amendment.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to the county of Allegheny and the county of Westmoreland, two of the counties of the State of Pennsylvania, and their successors and assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Allegheny River, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, approximately nineteen and one-tenth miles above the mouth of the river, in the counties of Allegheny and Westmoreland, in the State of Pennsylvania, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906.
SEC. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.
Approved, February 12, 1925.

February 12, 1925.
[H. R. 11248.]
[Public, No. 413.]

CHAP. 225.—An Act Making appropriations for the military and nonmilitary activities of the War Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1926, and for other purposes.

War Department appropriations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the military and nonmilitary activities of the War Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1926, and for other purposes, namely:

Department military activities.

TITLE I.—MILITARY ACTIVITIES AND OTHER EXPENSES OF THE WAR DEPARTMENT INCIDENT THERETO

Secretary's Office.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF WAR

Secretary, Assistant, and civilian personnel.

Salaries: Secretary of War, \$12,000; Assistant Secretary, \$10,000, and for other personal services in the District of Columbia in accordance with "The Classification Act of 1923," \$202,174; in all, \$224,174: *Provided*, That in expending appropriations or portions of appropriations, contained in this Act, for the payment for personal services in the District of Columbia in accordance with "The Classification Act of 1923," the average of the salaries of the total number of persons under any grade in any bureau, office, or other appropriation unit shall not at any time exceed the average of the compensation rates specified for the grade by such Act, and in grades in which only one position is allocated the salary of such position shall not exceed the average of the compensation rates for the grade: *Provided*, That this restriction shall not apply (1) to grades 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the clerical-mechanical service, or (2) to require the reduction in salary of any person whose compensation was fixed as

Provisos.
Restriction on exceeding average salaries.
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If only one position in a grade.

Not applicable to clerical-mechanical service.

No reduction in fixed salaries required.